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# MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 41,535; Week ago 53,690; Year ago 49,732 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. ST	EERS:	<u>Fdr. HE</u>	IFERS:	Hols. S	STEERS
361 lbs. 460 lbs.		364 lbs. 458 lbs.		452 lbs. 552 lbs.	105.93 92.98
554 lbs.	121.67	555 lbs.	112.10	622 lbs.	90.08
647 lbs. 741 lbs.		647 lbs. 739 lbs.		731 lbs. 857 lbs.	86.59 83.29
835 lbs.	103.18	830 lbs.	97.52		03.2
925 lbs.	100.73			:	

#### SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts 6700; Week ago 7940; Year ago 4613 Compare to last week feeder steers under 650 lbs 3.00 to 9.00 higher, over 650 lbs firm to 3.00 higher, heifers under 600 lbs 3.00 to 7.00 higher over 600 lbs 2.00 to 5.00 higher. Slaughter Cows firm to 2.00 higher, Bulls 1.00 to 3.00 higher.

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STEEF			FERS:
Medium and Lai	ge 1 and 1-2	Medium and	Large 1 and 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	139.00-154.00 125.00-143.50 112.00-130.00 102.00-114.00 100.00-109.00 97.00-104.00	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	120.00-140.00 112.00-130.00 105.00-118.00 102.00-109.50 97.50-102.00
Large 3 Ho 590-605 lbs. Pkg 735 lbs. Pkg 840 lbs.	86.50-95.00 86.00 77.50	SLAUGHTER C Breaking and Bo lean) 51.00-55.0 54.00-59.50. Lea 48.50-53.00, low 47.00.	oning (70-85% 0, high dressing
SLAUGHTER BU Grade 1-2, 1150-19 73.50, high dressing low dressing 58.50- COW & CALF PA and Large 1-2, Scar	000 lbs., 66.00-g 72.00-73.50, -65.50.	1100-1400 lbs, 2	rge 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs, 2nd and 3rd stage per head, 7 yrs to 1400 lbs in 2nd

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#### SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 10,500; week ago 18,997; year ago 7379 Cow and Bull Receipts 1550; week ago 1660; year ago 1885 Dairy Cattle Receipts 1073; Norwood 1/13/05

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady to 5.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls steady.

<u>STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		<u>HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	131.00-140.00	300-400 lbs.	123.00-131.00
400-500 lbs.	119.50-139.00	400-500 lbs.	116.00-129.00
500-600 lbs.	113.00-130.00	500-600 lbs.	103.00-116.50
600-700 lbs.	103.00-115.00	600-700 lbs.	98.00-112.50
700-800 lbs.	101.00-109.00	700-800 lbs.	97.00-105.25
800-900 lbs.	96.00-104.50	800-900 lbs.	Scarce
900-1000 lbs.	94.50-97.50		

#### HOLSTEINS: Large Frame 3 Spring

300-400 lbs.	Scarce
400-500 lbs.	103.00-112.00
500-600 lbs.	94.50-95.00
600-700 lbs.	87.50-93.00
700-800 lbs.	Pkg 87.50
800-900 lbs.	80.00-85.85
900-1000 lbs.	Scarce

# Dairy Cattle Sales

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1800.00-2175.00, Approved 1600.00-1785.00, Bred Heifers 4 to 6 months Supreme 1875.00-1950.00, Approved 1500.00-1785.00. Open Heifers; Approved 700-800 lbs 1150.00-1340.00, 600-700 lbs 1085.00-1140.00, 500-600 lbs 925.00-1110.00, Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 240.00-485.00. Bulls 115.00-175.00

### REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 2, 2 yrs to ss, 900-1400 lbs, 2nd to 3rd stage, 750.00-1150.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 900-1250 lbs. with baby-350 lb calves, 985.00-1275.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 50.00-58.50, high dressing 59.00-59.50, Lean (85-90%) 45.50-51.00, low dressing 35.00-45.50.

<u>SLAUGHTER BULLS:</u> Yield Grade 1-2, 1485-2360 lbs. 65.00-71.00, high dressing 72.00-74.00.

#### INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 9711; Week ago 12,246; Year ago 13,740 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 1.00 to 2.00 higher. Sows 1.00 higher.

### **BARROWS AND GILTS:**

Base carcass meat prices 67.00-68.00 Weekly top price Friday 68.00

#### SOWS.

300-500 lbs 41.00-46.00 Over 500 lbs 47.00-50.00.

#### WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Kingsville and Sedalia)

Receipts 5703; Week ago 4293; Year ago 5569

Compared to last week steers and heifers under 700 lbs firm to 4.00 higher with some instances 5.00-10.00 higher, over 700 lbs steady to firm. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

FEEDER Medium and l			HEIFERS: Large 1 & 1-2
300-400 lbs 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	131.00-154.00 120.00-144.50 110.00-127.00 104.00-117.00 100.00-109.75 99.50-106.75	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	113.00-139.00 109.00-143.00 101.00-124.50 98.00-108.25 95.00-104.60
REPLACEMENT Medium and Larg ss, 835-1440 lbs, 770.00-1070.00 p	ge 1-2, 2 yrs to 2nd to 3rd stage,		85% lean) 49.00- sing 53.75-58.25,
COW & CALF P. and Large 1-2, Sc		SLAUGHTER B Yield Grade 1-2, 62.75-67.00, low 62.50	, 1275-2245 lbs

#### EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, and Boonville) Receipts 7938; Week ago 5132; Year ago; 5458 Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers firm to 7.00 higher.

Slaughter cows steady to firm.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1 & 1-2	
325-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-875 lbs.	129.00-149.00 121.00-152.00 105.00-132.00 105.00-118.50 100.00-109.00 95.00-105.00	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	121.00-135.00 105.00-130.00 100.00-120.00 99.50-112.50 96.00-102.00
SLAUGHTER S Select and Choic	TEERS: High e 2-4 84.00-87.00	SLAUGHTER C Boning, and Lea 44.00-54.00, hig 59.50, low dress	h dressing 52.00-
SLAUGHTER F Select and Choic	<u>IEIFERS:</u> High e 2-4 83.00-86.00	SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1400- 65.00, high dress	-2400 lbs, 60.00-

#### NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, New Cambria and Green City)
Feeder Cattle Receipts 3032; Week ago 4781; Year ago 2795
Slaughter Cattle Receipts 77; Week ago 38; Year ago 90 Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers under 650 lbs steady to 5.00 higher, over 650 lbs steady. Slaughter cows steady. Slaughter steers and heifers steady.

FEEDER Medium and			HEIFERS: Large 1 & 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs. 900-950 lbs.	137.50 134.00-143.50 116.00-129.50 108.00-119.50 104.00-108.35 100.75-107.10 scarce	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-850 lbs.	122.00-124.00 112.00-123.00 108.00-121.50 99.75-110.00 99.00-99.85 scarce
SLAUGHTER ST 2-3, 1200-1400 lb		and Boning (75-	COWS: Breaking 85% lean) 49.00- ing 44.00-49.00.
<u>SLAUGHTER HI</u> 2-3, 1100-1300 lb		SLAUGHTER F Grade 1-2, 1500	<u>BULLS:</u> Yield -2300 lbs 60.25-

66.00.

#### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Patton Junction and Fruitland)

Receipts 1239; Week ago 1742; Year ago 1180

Compared to last week steers and heifers 2.00 to 6.00 higher, Slaughter Cows and Bulls 1.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS:		FEEDER HEIFERS:	
Medium and Large 1-2		Medium and Large 1-2	
250-300 lbs	132.00-152.00	250-300 lbs.	130.00-138.00
300-400 lbs.	133.00-150.00-	300-350 lbs.	115.00-129.00
400-500 lbs.	115.50-135.00	400-500 lbs.	105.00-118.00
500-600 lbs.	100.00-120.00	500-600 lbs.	98.00-109.00
600-700 lbs.	97.50-114.00	600-700 lbs.	92.00-107.00
700-800 lbs.	95.00-106.50	700-800 lbs.	91.00-96.00
800-900 lbs.	90.50-97.50		
REPLACEMEN	IT COWS:	SLAUGHTER (	COWS: Breaking
Medium and La	rge 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs	and Boning (70-	85% lean) 43.00-
850-1350 lbs in	2nd to 3rd stage	52.00, high dres	sing 52.00-55.00,
740.00-1000.00	per head.	Lean (85-90%) 3	37.50-40.50.
COW & CALF	PAIRS: Medium	SLAUGHTER I	BULLS: Yield
and Large 1-2, 2	to 7 yrs 890-1350	Grade 1-2, 1255	-2075 lbs 57.50-
lbs with 100-150	) lb calves 780.00-	64.25, high dres	sing 66.50, low
840.00 per pair		dressing 54.00-5	58.50.
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#### SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba and Vienna)

Receipts 5262; Week ago 2681; Year ago 4714

Compared to last week steers steady to 4.00 higher, heifers under 600 lbs 1.00 to 2.00 higher, over 600 lbs steady. Slaughter cows steady to 3.00 higher.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-760 lbs. 800-830 lbs.	140.00-156.00 123.50-141.00 113.00-127.50 103.50-117.50 101.00-106.60 98.50-100.00	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	119.00-127.00 111.00-125.00 103.00-114.75 97.50-108.50 94.00-102.00
Medium and Largers 2 to 3 yrs 950 stage bred to calve bulls 1150.00-150	ge 1-2, bred heif- -1175 lbs 3rd ring ease Angus 00.00 per head.	53.00, high dress Lean (85-90%) 4 dressing 39.00-4	85% lean) 47.50- sing 53.50-58.00, 14.50-50.50, low 4.00.
COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce		SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1300-2100 lbs, 63.00-69.25, high dressing 71.00-72.50, low dressing 57.00-62.00.	

#### MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts 600; Week ago 1000; Year ago 800 Compared to last week, trade rather slow. No confirmed live sales and dressed sales on a grid basis steady to 2.00 lower. Demand and seller interest light to moderate.

STEERS: No Sales	STEERS AND HEIFERS: Carcass sales: load 60% Choice 1250 lbs 142.00.
HEIFERS: No Sales	GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid): Choice 3 550-950 lbs 142.00- 147.00, load early 150.00. Select 3 550-950 lbs. 138.00-141.00

#### MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 6,143 (FOB 1,166 Delivered 4,977)

Compared to last week, weaner pigs steady. No feeder pigs to report. Compared to last week USDA National Delivered Feeder Pig Report indicates feeder pigs are mostly steady. Good demand for light supply.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights.

Fob the farm, 0% negotiated.

1,166 head 10 lbs 33.00-39.21 weighted average 10 lbs 35.73.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights.

Delivered, 35% negotiated.

4,977 head 39.00-56.00 weighted average 10 lbs 46.13.

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes. Delivered 0% negotiated.

No sales to report.

106.00.

#### MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

#### Slaughter Receipts

This week 46,000; Week ago 47,000; Year ago 50,000

Slaughter Lambs 1.00 higher Slaughter Ewes steady Feeder Lambs steady	Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good 1-3 45.00-55.00, Cull 1 25.00-45.00.
Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs shorn 106.00-108.00, wooled 104.00-	<u>Feeder Lambs:</u> Medium and Large 1-2 60-80 lbs 125.00-140.00, 80-100 lbs 110.00-125.00.

#### WEEKLY HAY SUMMARY

Hay movement was active this week due to improved road and ground conditions. The cold temperatures which spread through the Show-Me state late last week stiffened mud. As a result, feeding and transportation activities were much improved this week. The forecast for warmer temperatures and yet more precipitation isn't welcome as the existing muddy conditions are as bad as anyone can remember. A large supply of fair to poor quality hay continues to add pressure to the market for all hay. Hay prices are steady on low to good quality hay, steady to firm on higher quality hay. Demand moderate. Supply moderate to heavy. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for both buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for a directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429.) (All prices per ton unless specified) Supreme quality Alfalfa (RFV>185) 115.00-140.00 Premium quality Alfalfa (RFV170-180) 90.00-125.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa (RFV130-170) Round bales 30.00-80.00 Small, Big squares and baleage (dry weight) 70.00-100.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 2.50-3.00 per bale 30.00-45.00 per large round bale Fair to good quality Prairie hay 50.00-75.00 Good quality Brome 50.00-85.00 Fair quality Brome some mixed with grass round bales 10.00-25.00 per bale Good quality Timothy Hay 2.50-3.50 per small square bale Good quality Red Clover hay 25.00-50.00 Good quality Mixed Grass hay 10.00-30.00 per round bale 1.25 to 2.50 per small square Fair quality large round bales Fescue 7.00-20.00 per bale Wheat hay 40.00-60.00 Wheat straw 1.50-3.00 per small square bale

# Oregon County Goat and Sheep Market (Koshkonong) Receipts: 144

Slaughter Classes: <u>Kids</u>: Selection 1 40-60 lbs 130.00; 60-80 lbs 120.00. Selection 1-2 80-100 lbs 97.00 per cwt. Selection 2 40-60 lbs 121.00; 60-80 lbs 110.00. Selection 3 40-60 lbs 110.00; 60-80 lbs 100.00. <u>Slaughter Does/Nannies</u>: medium 75.00; fat 65.00; thin 60.00 per cwt. <u>Slaughter Wethers</u>: 88.00. <u>Slaughter Lambs</u>: Choice 80-140 lbs 95.00-98.00. Good and Choice 80-110 lbs 90.00. <u>Slaughter Ewes</u>: Cull indiv 50.00.

#### WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	587,000	1,998,000	46,000
Last week	587,000	2,045,000	47,000
Last Year	624,000	2,034,000	50,000
2005 yr. to date	1,748,000	6,032,000	138,000
2004 yr. to date	1,922,000	6,801,000	157,000

#### MIDWEST EGG REVIEW

Large .14 higher, Medium .17 higher, Small .04-.06 higher. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.) Large .41-.49, Medium .31-.36, Small .08-.12.

#### **By-Product Feed Prices**

Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 75.00, Alfalfa Pellets 17% St Louis, MO 135.00, Distillers Grain dried, Macon, MO 83.00, Corn Gluten Feed pelleted, Decatur, Il 62.00, Brewers Grain pressed 70% moisture, St Louis, MO 33.00. Prices per ton.

#### WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .03 to .08 lower, Wheat .02 to .03 lower, Corn unch to .01 lower, KC Wheat uneven .04 to .02 higher, Soybean Meal Mar 1.00 higher, others .90 to 1.70 lower.

#### Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Soybeans Mar May Jul Aug Sep	Holiday	513 1/2 516 1/4 522 3/4 525 1/4 526 1/2	517 3/4 518 3/4 524 1/2 527 528 1/2	523 1/4 521 526 528 1/2 529 1/2	516 3/4 516 520 3/4 523 524
Wheat Mar May Jul Sep Dec	Holiday	296 1/2 304 1/4 311 1/2 317 325	299 306 1/4 312 1/2 318 327 1/4	294 3/4 302 1/4 308 1/4 314 323 1/2	295 3/4 302 3/4 309 3/4 315 1/2 324
Corn Mar May Jul Sep Dec	Holiday	196 203 1/2 201 1/2 217 3/4 227	196 3/4 204 211 218 227 1/4	197 3/4 204 3/4 211 1/2 219 228 1/2	197 204 1/4 211 1/4 218 3/4 228 1/2
KC Wheat Mar May Jul Sep Dec	Holiday	334 3/4 324 1/4 314 3/4 320 1/4 329 3/4	339 325 1/2 315 1/2 321 330	334 3/4 322 315 1/2 320 329 1/2	333 1/4 322 3/4 311 1/2 321 329 3/4
SB Meal Mar May Jul Aug Sep	Holiday	153.70 154.70 157.50 159.00 160.30	155.50 155.90 158.40 160.00 161.10	158.90 157.70 159.60 160.80 162.00	155.80 155.20 157.30 158.70 159.90

## WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .10 to 2.05 lower, Lean Hogs nearbys .15 to 1.05 lower, others .23 to .75 higher, Pork Bellies 1.05 to 2.02 lower, Feeder Cattle .08 to .90 lower.

#### Daily Futures Closes

Daily 1 utures closes						
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	
Cattle Feb Apr Jun Aug Oct	Holiday	91.12 89.42 83.17 81.32 82.25	89.35 87.95 82.15 80.42 81.70	89.52 87.97 82.25 80.60 81.67	89.27 87.90 82.15 80.52 81.87	
Lean Hogs Feb Apr May Jun Jul	Holiday	75.57 77.65 76.75 79.05 74.97	75.77 77.42 77.10 79.22 75.22	74.35 75.62 76.07 77.97 74.45	75.87 76.60 76.82 78.95 75.40	
Prk Bel Feb Mar May Jul Aug	Holiday	93.37 94.00 96.40 98.60 98.60	93.92 94.60 96.80 98.95 98.90	93.72 94.40 96.90 98.40 98.90	94.10 94.70 97.00 99.20 98.90	
Fdr Cat Jan Mar Apr May Aug	Holiday	107.20 102.85 101.25 100.42 101.75	106.25 100.92 100.05 99.80 100.62	106.20 100.82 100.25 99.20 100.70	105.72 101.25 100.52 99.57 100.85	
Milk Jan Feb Mar	Holiday	14.08 15.46 15.18	14.08 16.20 15.92	14.10 16.05 15.85	14.10 16.05 15.68	

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#### MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans uneven .08 lower to .06 higher Wheat uneven .02 lower to .07 higher Corn unchanged to .03 higher Grain Sorghum unchanged to .02 higher

### Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum	
Kansas City Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	Holiday 5.05-5.06 5.14 5.18-5.19 5.17	3.25 3.29 3.25 3.23	1.76 1.77 1.78 1.77	3.05 3.07 3.09 3.07	
St. Louis Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	Holiday 5.51-5.54 5.56-5.58 5.61-5.62 5.47-5.48	3.44 3.52 3.46 3.52	2.05-2.11 2.06-2.12 2.11-2.12 2.04-2.09	3.50 3.55 3.57 3.53	
Central Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	Holiday 4.89-4.94 4.93-4.98 5.00-5.03 4.94-4.97	2.77-2.82 2.79-2.84 2.75-2.80 2.76-2.81	1.65-1.71 1.66-1.69 1.70 1.69-1.72	2.85 2.91 2.95 2.93	
S.E. MO Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	Holiday 5.36-5.43 5.43-5.48 5.51-5.53 5.39-5.47	3.25-3.31 3.28-3.35 3.24-3.30 3.25-3.37	1.92-2.02 1.95-2.03 1.97-2.04 1.94-2.00	3.14-3.60 3.16-3.62 3.18-3.64 3.16-3.62	

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT) \*NEW CROP

Northeast Missouri Delivered Saw Logs *								
Doyle Scale		wht. oak		rd. oak		Blk. Wint.		
				per log		per log		per log
	Len	DIB*						
	gth	*	\$/mbf***	avg.****	\$/mbf	avg.	\$/mbf	avg.
grade saw	10	12	399.55	15.98	337.65	13.51	650.30	26.01
logs****	10	16	718.30	64.65	641.15	57.70	1174.25	105.68
	10	20	768.20	122.91	711.55	113.85	1355.65	216.90
	8	16	593.85	42.76	555.65	40.01	1009.80	72.71
stave logs	8.5	20	697.65	94.88				
below grade logs								_
tie logs	10	13	216.85	10.98	215.60	10.91	0.00	0.00
blocking	8	12	193.30	6.19	192.15	6.15	184.50	5.90
pallet	8	12	188.10	6.02	186.20	5.96	182.25	5.83

\*This is a *delivered* log report. It *does not* represent or imply prices paid for standing timber on your land. Values of standing timber can vary significantly from delivered due to the following: proximity to solid roads and saw mills, size of offering and proximity to other offerings, land terrain, prevailing conditions, quality, size, density, and species of timber.

**Definitions:** 

\* DIB = diameter inside bark at small end

\*\*\* **MBF** = 1,000 board feet

\*\*\*\* Weighted Average = value of logs at the weighted average board foot price figured at Doyle Scale

Logs = The prices in this report are for logs that are classified as U.S. Foresty grade one logs and more specifically described by the DIB and length in the report, as well as by:

 three sides clear • both ends solid • determined to be sound and of good quality by buyer

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